

The Enda Dolan Foundation

TRUSTEES' REPORT

for the financial year ended 30 September 2024

The trustees present their Trustees' Report and the unaudited financial statements for the financial year ended 30 September 2024.

The financial statements are prepared in accordance with the Charities Act (Northern Ireland) 2008, FRS 102 "The Financial Reporting Standard applicable in the UK and Republic of Ireland" and Accounting and Reporting by Charities: Statement of Recommended Practice applicable to charities preparing their financial statements in accordance with the Financial Reporting Standard applicable in the UK and Republic of Ireland (FRS 102).

In this report the trustees of The Enda Dolan Foundation present a summary of its purpose, governance, activities, achievements and finances for the financial year 30 September 2024.

Mission, Objectives and Strategy

Mission Statement

The Enda Dolan Foundation has been set up to celebrate and remember the life of Enda Dolan and to have a lasting legacy.

Objectives

The purpose of the charity is to support the advancement of citizenship and community development and the advancement of education through exclusively charitable means, and in particular:-

- The delivery of guitar workshops bringing young people from all communities together to enhance their playing skills and to share experiences;
- To organise and facilitate get running programmes for people of all ages, abilities and background to assist in improved health and well-being;
- The provision of a scholarship for first year students at Queens University, Belfast to study in the profession of architecture,

And the facilitation of any other exclusively charitable activity that the Trustees deem appropriate.

Structure, Governance and Management

Structure

The trustees who served during the year are as follows;

Peter Dolan
Don Campbell
Conor Loughrey

During the year the group continues to meet every three months. All cheques are signed by two committee members for accountability.

Review of Activities, Achievements and Performance

This year's activities have returned to greater levels previous to the global pandemic, throughout the various activities and events that went ahead we welcomed many new participants and volunteers.

The annual Red Balloon Guitar Workshop did not take place during the year.

This year's Bursary at Queens University Belfast for the best first year Architecture student was awarded in September and continues to be a sought after accolade.

The Foundation has continued to campaign and comment on the sentences handed out in relation to Death by Dangerous Driving and has met with various officials from the Department of Justice.

Financial Review

The results for the financial year are set out on page 7 and additional notes are provided showing income and expenditure in greater detail.

See the annual report on income and expenditure. Finances and fundraising continue to be reviewed regularly.

Results and Dividends

At the end of the financial year the charity has assets of £117,263 (2023 - £108,805) and liabilities of £0.00 (2023 - £0.00). The net assets of the charity have increased by £8,458.

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Reference and Administrative details

We have an elected chairperson, secretary and treasurer with designated roles within the group. We have many volunteers of which assist in the efficient running of the organisation.

In accordance with the Constitution, the trustees retire by rotation and, being eligible, offer themselves for re-election.

Compliance with Sector-Wide Legislation and Standards

The charity engages pro-actively with legislation, standards and codes which are developed for the sector. The Enda Dolan Foundation subscribes to and is compliant with the following:

- The Charities SORP (FRS 102)

Public Benefit Statement

The trustees have had regard to the Commissions Public Benefit requirement statutory guidance.

The direct benefits flowing from the purposes of the Enda Dolan Foundation are as follows:

-Regarding the running/fitness programmes, the benefits are for the participants who become fitter, healthier and helps their general mental wellbeing.

-In relation to the music/guitar workshop the benefits are for the young people who can meet up with other like minded people making new friend and enhancing their playing skills.

- Regarding the provision of a scholarship for entry into Queen's University, Belfast, it is enabling a young person to free entry and study in the profession of architecture.

The benefits in our local area with regards running/fitness programme can be seen with the large numbers of people who have taken up running as a hobby and attend local running events such as the annual "Run for Enda". The demand for this service and the numbers attending continues to rise and therefore having a positive impact on the local community and individuals improving their health and well-being.

The benefits flowing from the music/guitar workshop is evident with the increase in the number of young people attending the workshop. Also the charity is seeing participants from previous years coming back to volunteer and help out in the delivery of the music/guitar workshop.

The benefits flowing from the provision of a scholarship is that a student will gain a scholarship for entry into Queen's University Belfast to study in the profession of Architecture. The charity and University will work closely to ensure that the scholarship is awarded to an individual that truly deserves and will greatly benefit from this wonderful opportunity.

There is no harm arising from the purposes of the charity. The charity aims to benefit the local community and surrounding areas regardless of age, background or belief. The running/fitness programme will benefit individuals aged 5-75 years of age; music/guitar workshop will benefit individuals aged 12 -18 years of age and the scholarship will be for a young student. A Private benefit to Trustees may arise from ongoing training in good governance, finance, social media etc. Through this training Trustees gain skills and experience which are transferable to other settings. These benefits are incidental and necessary to ensure that the benefit is provided to our beneficiaries.

Approved by the Board of Trustees on 28 August 2025 and signed on its behalf by:



Peter Dolan
Trustee



Don Campbell
Trustee